

Quotes from John Bunyan

(1628–1688)

Grace stripped You of Your glory.
Grace made You poor and despicable.
Grace made You bear such burdens of sin, such burdens of sorrow, such burdens of God's curse as are unspeakable.

A minister's love to his flock in best seen in his praying for them.

Know yourself—what a vile, horrible, abominable sinner you are. For you cannot know the love of Christ, before you know the badness of your nature.

All transgression begins at our wandering from the Word of God.

Lack of reverence for God's Word is the ground of all the disorders that are in the Christian's heart, life, and conduct.

The best prayer I ever prayed, had enough sin to damn the whole world!

No child of God sins to that degree as to make himself incapable of forgiveness.

To lay hold of and receive the gospel by a true and saving faith is an act of the soul that has been made a new creature, which is the workmanship of God.

Whoever receives the grace that is offered in the gospel . . .

they must be quickened by the power of God,

their eyes must be opened,

their understandings must be illuminated,

their ears must be unstopped,

their hearts must be circumcised,

their wills must be rectified,

and the Son of God revealed to them.

An idle man's brain—is the devil's workshop!

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"Our Prayer List"

"Pray without ceasing." 1 Thess. 5:17

Sister Zee Mink Fuller and Family, Her son's Bryan Armstrong and Hunter Hackie, Daughter Shannon, Johnnie Stephens, Alecia Stephens, and children, Frank & Sonya Trusty, Frank & Dawana Reigel, Diane & Smoke, Andrew Preston, Larry & Martha Mollette and Her Family Juanita her daughter, Lana Paul, Ted O'Bonion, Larry Mollette II & Family, Kerry Adcock, Kim Reich, Tyler Castle, Danny Mollette, Joshua Kidd, Ronnie and Sarah Henderson, Ricky Henderson and Family, James and Luann Reynolds, Timothy Fails, Jerry Hughes, Shirly King - Son David - and family, Little Cam Works, Sister Ann McSwain, Brother Justin Bookout and family, Little Weslynn McClelland, Adrienne Lavina, Pastor Nathan Hille and Sister Cassie and his family, Baby Titus Massey, Shane and Brook Sims, Ricky Bennett, Nick, Madison, and Baby Emory Patty, Bill Gossett, and Russell York, Brother Medic, Sister Mhalyn Lavina and children.

"Pray For Our Church Supported Mission Works"

"But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth." Acts 1:8

Missionary Dan and Sunny Sullivan in Thailand, Elder Raul and the Printing work Romania, and the Berea Baptist Banner Mantachie, Ms.

"A Message from Pastor Johnson"

"Feed the flock of God which is among you, taking the oversight thereof..." 1st Peter 5:2

Christians need to be careful whom they support.

2 John 1:10 - 11 "If there come any unto you, and bring not this doctrine, receive him not into your house, neither bid him God speed: (11) For he that biddeth him God speed is partaker of his evil deeds."

Lewis Speery Chafer said in his writings Essential Works *"Bible doctrines are the bones of revelation and the attentive Bible student must be impressed with the New Testament emphasis on "sound doctrine".* When Christians associate themselves with other Christians or Christian organizations or when they pray for or support in any way anything Christian, it must first be determined what their belief on Sound Doctrine is. We are responsible for what we believe in biblical doctrine, but we are also responsible with whom we associate and support. Now this goes beyond Christianity it also goes into your everyday life. While all of Christians need to heed this warning Ministers and especially Pastors need to heed this warning. God said in the qualifications of Elders these words, *"Holding fast the faithful word as he hath been taught, that he may be able by sound doctrine both to exhort and to convince the gainsayers."* Titus 1:9 The reason is that Pastors and teachers are teaching learning Christians, and they must be taught with very strict and bold doctrine. Paul told Titus *"But speak thou the things which become sound doctrine:"* Titus 2:1 When we listen to what God is saying is "it matters what you believe" and only sound biblical doctrine is what we are to support. In this world called "Christianity" it is full of unsound doctrine; some say they do not want to even hear any doctrine much less sound doctrine. However, as we have just quoted God, doctrine is very important, and not just doctrine but biblical sound doctrine. Here God points out that Christian responsibility and the rules we are to abide by God's word, *"If there come any unto you, and bring not this doctrine, receive him not into your house..."* If you do not believe that sound doctrine is important, then look at what God says about the gospel. The gospel is the message God uses to save sinners, but why if it is not taught with sound doctrine? God said in 1Cor. 1:21 *"For after that in the wisdom of God the world by wisdom knew not God, it pleased God by the foolishness of preaching to save them that believe."* Therefore, if someone is not preaching the true gospel in sound doctrine? People will be misled and miss true salvation. They will believe they are saved but find out later they believed a lie. What if a Minister doesn't believe the truth about the Sovereignty of God, then people will be misled about the true nature and workings of God.

A Message from Pastor Johnson, Continued

So, you can see how important it is to find sound doctrine and only support true biblical sound doctrine. If Christians support churches, pastors, musical groups, or any organization that is not a believer of sound doctrine then they are supporting the spreading of lies. We must also be reminded that God will hold us responsible for being a *"partaker of his evil deeds."* As Bible believing Christians, we are not allowed to support anything that is not biblical truth. God even says, *"neither bid him God speed."* Do not attend their churches, do not listen to their music, do not give them money, in no way are we to help them spread their lies to the world. Just because they do what they do in the name of Jesus or in the name of God does not make it truth, it must have "sound doctrine". God said our worship must be in "Truth" that is in Biblical Truth which is Sound Doctrine. *"God is a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth."* John 4:24 The world can worship anyway they chose, they can teach what is pleasing to the ears of the world, they can have ordinances that are pleasing to the world, but as church and Christians believing in sound doctrine, we must not in any form support them or their teachings. If the bible is not the totality of your doctrine, then you are not walking in righteousness. God is very strict about this, there is no "gray area". We must always make sure what we believe, teach, or the things we support are of biblical sound doctrine even if the world hates us! God said, *"Proving what is acceptable unto the Lord. And have no fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness, but rather reprove them."* Ephesians 5:10
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Church Information and Happenings.

Pastor Johnson will be absent from the pulpit on Sunday March 17th He will be speaking at Northside Baptist Church in Oakdale, La. on that morning. Please pray for this Conference. Brother Justin Bookout will handle our service here.

John 7:16-18 *"Jesus answered them, and said, My doctrine is not mine, but his that sent me. If any man will do his will, he shall know of the doctrine, whether it be of God, or whether I speak of myself. He that speaketh of himself seeketh his own glory: but he that seeketh his glory that sent him, the same is true, and no unrighteousness is in him."*